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Hughes Cleaver Defends

There has been some criticism about a speech made by our Hon. Member of Parliament, Mr. Hughes Cleaver, in the House last week, and for the education of our readers we reprint below verbatim quotations from Hansard on this subject:

Mr. Cleaver: As I view it, the solution before the house is whether we shall refer the question of the cost of operation of the wartime information committee to the public accounts committee or to the war expenditures committee. It is my hon. friend pressing for a ruling on his point of order?

Mr. Speaker: Yes, I would like a ruling, because I suggest the matter does not concern the war expenditures committee at all.

Mr. Cleaver: If this government has spent over half a million dollars to publish the war effort of this country to let the world know what we are doing, the money has been spent. Any business interest, whether large or small, would be the best to know what we are doing, and the business department and publicity department is the best to know what we are doing. It is my hon. friend's duty to publish thousands of dollars yearly in publishing its products in order to sell them. The Wright charging gun company spends thousands of dollars annually on sales campaigns in the war effort of this country not of more account than the selling of chewing gum?

I thank my hon. friend for his interruption of a few minutes ago. I want to ask him now who is putting up the money for the publicity campaign the Conservative party are putting on in a time of war?

Mr. Speaker: Not the Minister of Finance.

Mr. Cleaver: Was it the barons of Bay Street, Toronto, the men who chose the puppet leader, have now? I should like to know whether the money being spent to publicize the Conservative party during a time of war is money that should be going into the coffers of this government as extra profits to help to win the war?

As I view the matter it settles down to a simple problem. The committee of waste of public money by the wartime information board has been made. So far as I am concerned, and I think every member of the committee will agree with me, even my hon. friend of the opposition, I contend that since the accusation has been made, the matter should be thoroughly investigated and should be thoroughly sifted. If there is any extravagance, it should be stopped. The whole issue is whether this problem should be referred to the war expenditures committee or to the public accounts committee.

The argument has been advanced by the hon. member for Lark Centre, that the war expenditures committee, and he gives the reasons which I should like to discuss in the first place, he says that the meetings of the war expenditures committee are held in public, whereas the meetings of the public accounts committee are held in private; therefore he believes that the matter should be investigated by the public accounts committee. The reason for this sharp divergence in viewpoint is a simple one: It all depends on the results that you seek to achieve. If you wish a businesslike investigation along the lines of British practice, if you wish a committee that will reach a unanimous conclusion, a committee that will give all this work without giving political kudos to anyone, then refer the matter to the war expenditures committee. It may be said that I am prejudiced because I am on the war expenditures committee, but I should like to remind the house of the manner in which this committee has functioned.

As one illustrative example, I shall quote from one of our reports. When we investigated the operations of the British Commonwealth air training plan in 1941 we checked the efficiency and cost of operating the elementary flying training schools and the air observer schools. The meetings were held in camera, and I have the right to refer to any evidence that was given, but I have the fullest possible right to read from the report of the committee. The short extract from the report which I shall read will indicate clearly to the house the basis upon which the war expenditures committee has functioned.

I am referring from a report dated November 3, 1941, later tabled in the house, as follows:

The subcommittee has carefully considered the question of points which will be covered by the operating companies.

(This refers to the air observer schools.)

Partly on account of highly efficient management and partly on account of the pupil intake as fixed by the contract, being increased without proportionate increase in management costs it was found that substantial profits were being earned.

What did the committee do? Did they blazon across Canada in the press of this country that the air observer schools and the elementary flying training schools were being operated at a profit three or four times greater than they should receive? Of course we did not do that. What would that have done to the morale of the staffs of these schools which were doing such a wonderful job? We approached the problem in a businesslike manner.

Mr. Diefenbaker: Was it a fact that they were operating at a cost three or four times greater than they should have been?

Mr. Cleaver: I am coming to that. The report continues:

The subcommittee fully appreciates the fact that the air observer schools are being very efficiently managed and

Brewers' Warehouse Robbed Last Night

Some time after midnight last night a small safe, weighing 650 pounds and containing \$12,000 in cash, was stolen from the Brewers' Warehouse. The lock on the front door was forced, and the thieves had evidently forced their way in through the door, and through the safe in their possession.

The same gang broke into the CNR building last night, also, and stole some bars and a large quantity of steel. With these tools they managed to break the lock.

J. B. Macdonald & Son were also on the list of robbers, and after forcing the lock on the office door, the thieves found that when they had forced their way in, they found a large quantity of steel. They could not handle it, and it was a perfect night for a robbery, there being a thin fog covering the streets. No clues as to the identities of the robbers have been found, but police are of the opinion it is the same gang of safe-crackers that is operating about the country. On Monday night they stole a safe in Arthur, and last week they stole a safe from them. The job is not being done by amateurs.

Chief W. G. Mard and Provincial Constable Heavily are investigating.

Dick Welch President of Tennis Club

Mr. George's Tennis Club held their opening meeting last Wednesday night in the school room, with a good turnout of members on hand.

The main business of the meeting was the election of officers for the coming year, and it was proposed to meet with other members of the club on the 1st of June.

Honorary President: Rev. W. G. O. Thompson.

President: Dick Welch.

Vice-President: Mrs. Walter Bohn.

Secretary: Mrs. Edward Arnold.

Treasurer: Miss Flora Feller.

Special Convener: Miss Norma Thompson.

With the new president in the chair it was unanimously decided that the executive committee for the care of the courts, and the organization of tournaments, May 26th was set as the date on which the clearing of the courts be completed, and all members and those interested in playing tennis this year are urgently requested to come out any night they can lend a hand in this work. The secretary then read a letter from a Sporting Goods Firm which handles the sale of tennis balls in wholesale lots, and the restraining of requests. Quite a substantial order for tennis balls was entered. The fee for senior and junior members is to be the same as usual. It is expected that there will be a good club this year, as quite a lot of interest in the game has been evinced this year.

BALLINAFAD

Mrs. Joseph Soper, a former resident of Ballinafad, celebrated his 85th birthday with his son, Cecil Soper at Preston.

Mrs. Wm. Cassidy, of Guelph, spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. M. Cole.

Mr. John Cole disposed of a team of half-bred Hackneys to Mr. Peter Cole of Burlington, who is a prominent horseman.

These schools are performing an important war task and also appreciate the fact that measures of economy should not be permitted to slow up our war effort but as the actual circumstances have altered happily since the contract was first entered into the subcommittee decided that a conference should be called of executive officers representing all of the schools, that the facts should be frankly placed before them and their cooperation invited. The conference was held on June 4 and as a result the operating companies have all voluntarily offered to agree to a reduction of what is described in the agreement as flying hour profits from \$1 per flying hour to 35 cents per flying hour.

That was a reduction of approximately sixty-five per cent in the profits of the air observer schools. That was done without any publicity, without any detrimental effect upon the operation of the schools. It was done immediately, and in part the reduction was made voluntarily on a retroactive basis. That is one way the war expenditures committee functions, and that is the way I submit that it should function. It is not our job to slow up the war effort, but it is our job to search out any waste and to see that it is cured and cured as quickly as possible.

Mr. Diefenbaker: Will the hon. members point out another example besides the air observer schools?

Mr. Cleaver: My hon. friend made a (Continued on Inside Page)

Most Successful Blood Clinic Yet Held Here

The third and most successful Blood Donor Clinic to date was held in the Lygon Hall last Wednesday morning. The Red Cross Mobile Blood Donor Clinic supervised with Nurse Technician Miss Evelyn Pullen in charge. Miss Pullen was accompanied by the Driver of Unit, Miss Hainsford who also helped pack the serum.

The room of clinic number 1 reported and in addition to those, many who had not donated before gave their blood. This time great satisfaction was expressed by those in charge as amount of blood given was considerably higher in proportion to the number of donors than in any previous clinic. This clinic was a little behind schedule because the sterilizing apparatus had been out of commission for the past week or so. The next clinic will be held in about five weeks time.

The regular staff of nurses and assistants were on hand to give their usual excellent service at the clinic. Miss C. V. Williams, R. T. Paul, A. McArthur and Dr. Callan of Artoria drew the blood. Three Action nurses Mrs. Denton, Miss Anderson and Miss Moffatt assisted the Georgetown nurses, under the direction of Mrs. John Campbell. Mrs. Ann Lawson headed the recruitment committee, with Mrs. R. Barber as convener of the Reception Committee, and Mrs. T. Oliver again served as temperature nurse.

There were 69 donors, over 40 of whom had given before. Those reporting are as follows:

Three reporting: Stan Lyons, Roy Bradley, Walter Brown, James B. H. A. Henderson, John McCleave, A. Middleton, W. Richardson, Norman Norman, Graham, Daniel, Rev. R. C. Todd, George Beckett, Ray D. Bromley, Thomas Phillips, E. F. Arnold, John McNair, John Giller, Donald Lindsay, Robert Mills, Gordon Price, William Shaw, Wm. McManis, James W. Thomas, Alfred Goodwin, Joe Cox, James Doherty, D. J. Lynch, Douglas, Marshall, H. I. Harris, L. O. Matthews, G. J. Wood, S. Spry, E. F. Davidson, F. Smith, M. Lonsky, J. H. Linton, William Lewis, Wm. Low, Jr., L. G. Dwyer, A. F. Henry, W. Shelburne, Everett Wilson, Dick Lewis, Sydney Silver, Mandy Dummer, Arthur Endless, Tom Chalder, Frank Allen, Sam Tennant, Jack Dunn, G. Spry, Harvey King, J. Lucas, A. Ritchie, J. H. Davidson, W. J. Macdonald, Gordon Martin, H. W. Hobbs, Max French, A. R. Macdonald, Oliver Goodrich, W. Miller, Watson, Winfield, Dr. Stuart, M. A. Wood, Herbert Smith, Henry Preston, Don Fortner, Charles Hoare, Jr., Cecil Howard, T. J. C. Armstrong, Wm. Finlay, Jim Roberts, J. Presswood, W. F. Macdonald, John Ruddle, F. T. Hays, George Brandford, Jr., Harvey Davidson, Joe Ross, H. C. Wigglesworth, W. Carpenter, Harry Watkins, Saxe Chapman.

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Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Howright of Kintore Lake visited with Mrs. W. C. Anthony on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Fraser and son Billy of Parry, Glen, Maryland, U.S.A., are spending two weeks with Mr. Don Porter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Outigan and son Peter of Hamilton, were week end visitors with Mr. and Mrs. James Outigan.

Mr. Henry Matthews of Bradford, spent the week end with Mr. Harvey Dehaene.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Haddad and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Haddad and baby daughter, all of Toronto, spent the 24th of May with Mrs. A. K. Haddad.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Milne of Eora and Mrs. N. P. Davidson of Ingersoll visited with Mrs. H. Bradley for a few days last week.

Mr. E. B. Fisher, secretary of the Ontario Fire Fighters Association and Mrs. Fisher spent the week end as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hone.

Mrs. Margaret Kerr of Toronto spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mrs. Dorothy Perry, also of Toronto, spent this week at the same home.

Mrs. E. W. Whoo and son-in-law moved to Callander to live with her mother. Her husband has enlisted in the R.C.A.F.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ross, are returning to the concentration of their many friends on the occasion of their twenty-third wedding anniversary on May 24th.

Mrs. Dorothy Deidt, who is attending the Brampton Hall in Toronto, spent the week end with Miss Margaret Bradley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bradley. Miss Deidt comes from Red Deer, Alta.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor King celebrated their 16th Wedding Anniversary last Wednesday and on the evening of that day, about eighteen friends held a surprise party in their honour. The evening was joyously spent playing cards, and singing, after which the guests assembled around the table for the anniversary supper.

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HORNBY

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Munroe Hooper (nee Thelma Huffman) on the arrival of a young son in Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton, on Sunday, May 23rd.

Miss Edith Gifford of Merrittton Ont., spent Empire Day week-end at the home of her father, Mr. William Gifford.

Pte. James Downs of Toronto, spent Sunday leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Downs.

Miss Margaret Lyle of Hamilton spent the last week end visiting her brother, Mr. Stanley Lyle.

All ladies of the community are asked to keep the date of June 2nd open and to attend the Annual Blossom Tea and to be the auspices of Bethel W. M. S. Auxiliary in Bethel United Church at 3 p.m. A good programme is being prepared and a dainty lunch will be served for which Bethel ladies are quite famous.

Mr. and Mrs. Reg. Neelands and children of Hamilton, were week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Neelands.

STEWARTTOWN

Private Jack Jenkinson of Chippewa was home for a couple of days last week.

Lt. Cpl. S. Hunt, of Brampton, I. A. C. and Mrs. Gilbert Hunt of Trenton and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Paul of Campbellville all spent Sunday at Mrs. Hunt's.

I. A. C. Norman Eddy has been transferred for further training from No. 6 I.T.S. Toronto, to No. 7 A.O.S., Portage La Prairie.

Sgt. Ken Murray arrived home last Wednesday from Nanaimo, B.C. on furlough.

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Spanish Refugee Tells of Experiences

A very interesting and instructive illustrated lecture, "Inside Spain" was given in Knox Church Rooms on Thursday, May 20th, by Rev. Zanerius P. Carles, a Spanish Refugee Minister. A large audience was in aid of the Bible Society.

Mr. J. D. Godfrey was chairman for the program. Rev. W. O. Thompson presided over the evening with prayers. A beautifully rendered duet by Rev. and Mrs. J. E. O'Brien accompanied by Miss Margaret Cook, was enjoyed by the audience. Rev. Carles' costume then introduced the speaker for the evening.

In his welcoming remarks he said that Rev. Carles was the only Spanish Refugee in Canada, and that he had served as a Brigadier in the Loyalist Spanish army before their defeat.

Before the slides of Spain were shown, Rev. Carles gave a sketch of conditions leading up to the present Spanish regime. Using his own personal experiences as an example, he told of how, as a child, he had served for 18 to 16 hours a day for a mere pittance.

The ignorance of the common people resulted in a very low standard of living. They could not read or write, in many cases. Mr. Carles was taken to a white working so hard, and his ailment was much of the spirit as of the body. One day, someone brought him a New Testament, and he found in its wisdom a new way of life. Since that time he has been an ardent worker for the Bible Society. No bibles are allowed in Spain at this time, and anyone caught reading or selling them do so under the penalty of death or concentration camps. Today in Spain there are over 3,000 children homeless, their parents having been killed or put into concentration camps. Rev. Carles himself was once condemned to be shot for his activities, but miraculously escaped. He stated "The Bible is the solution for all the problems in Spain and for the world. The war may be stopped, but the problems in Spain are not actually solved, but merely postponed. German submarines stop in their ports for supplies, and when the battle was raging the country was overrun with German and Italian Fascist soldiers. The Loyalists are waiting for the Allies to win, so that Franco and his regime will disappear."

The pictures he brought with him illustrated life "Inside Fighting Spain" and gave concrete evidence to many portions of his lecture.

At the conclusion of the evening, Mr. Ostrom, on behalf of the Bible Society thanked Mr. Carles for his very excellent address, and the singing of the National Anthem brought the evening to a close.

LIMEHOUSE

Those who attended the box social and party at Mrs. A. McDonald's report a real good time, and the Limehouse W.I. realized \$21.00 clear for their war fund. Mr. E. L. Miller and Mr. Norman McDonald won high scores for euchre. Mrs. Miller won for the best decorated box, lucky chair was won by Mr. Harvey McDowell and door prize was won by Mr. W. O. Brownridge. Mr. Brownridge made a splendid auctioneer for selling the boxes.

Mr. and Mrs. Schneider and family of Guelph visited the Miller's recently.

Men in uniform, home for the week end include: Pte. J. I. Elberly, stationed at Camp Upperwash, L.A.C. Lorne Norton with R.C.A.F. at Picton and Pte. Clifford Webster on furlough.

Mrs. A. J. Smethurst spent the week end in Toronto.

Mrs. Jessie Marlow of Toronto spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. E. Sanford and the Mitchell's.

Mrs. Yeates and Mrs. King of London spent a few days with Mrs. Sutherland last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Sanford attended the Small-Lane wedding at Christ Church of the Good Shepherd, Mt. Dennis on May 15.

Mrs. F. Shelburne and the Furnham's visited friends in Limehouse on Sunday.

Mrs. Galp and Miss Ivens have returned from Toronto to their home in Limehouse.

Miss Norma Storey spent the week end with the Mills family.

BROODER LOUSE BURNED

SUNDAY MORNING

A blaze about 8 o'clock Sunday morning gave the firemen a hurried call to the farm of A. MacLaren. A coal-heated brooder house, about 14 ft. x 10 ft. was totally destroyed by the flames, and 250 baby chicks, one week old also perished in the fire. The large two-storey hon house almost adjoining the brooder house came in for a scorching, but was saved from the same fate by the prompt action of the local fire brigade.

Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ruddle for the holiday included: Mr. C. A. Coyne, Miss Marjorie Ruddle, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Ruddle, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ruddle and Marilyn, all of Toronto.

Mrs. M. Dixon, of Toronto, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Graham on Sunday.

Mrs. W. L. Ward and Mac, of Weston, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Watson and family, of Toronto, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson on Monday.

Miss Louise Reed, Mrs. Allan Reed and family, of Toronto, visited with Mrs. George Wingfield for the holiday week end.

Georgetown Fall Fair Scheduled for Sept. 10-11

Victory Vegetable Garden Contest for Urban and Rural Schools

A very enthusiastic meeting of the Equating Agricultural Society was held at the McGibbon House last Saturday evening, when the new president, Craig Reid, presided.

Ways and means for keeping the show up to present high standards were discussed at some length, and all felt the fair last year was on a par if not better than those held throughout the county. Due to wartime conditions many restrictions in the way of entertainment, etc., are necessary, but the standard of exhibits are undoubtedly higher.

The public school section of the prize list is being revised, and prizes are being offered for displays at the fair from Victory Gardens arranged by pupils of both Urban and Rural schools. The school sections having the best displays will be awarded 1st, \$5.00, 2nd, \$4.00, 3rd, \$3.00, 4th, \$2.50. This contest should prove interesting for the various school sections.

The Ladies' Work section of the prize list is almost being revised to meet war time conditions, and a copy of this section will be off the press shortly. In order that those interested may get their exhibits ready early, some change has also been made in the poultry section, and Robin Hood Floor are again offering their special in the Domestic science class.

The usual fair night dance will be held on Friday, Sept. 10th, at the Arena.

The Society will be calling on local citizens and businessmen shortly, in order to solicit donations to boost a show that has been part of the community for nearly a hundred years.

The new secretary of the Equating Agricultural Society, Garfield McCoull, took over his duties at this meeting, and asks for the support of all Directors and those interested in the welfare of the Georgetown Fair. He succeeded Frank Petch who resigned last Spring.

Active Service Notes

Men home on leave during the week end included:

Pte. Clayton Bradley, Camp Borden, Pte. Walter Blich, North Bay, 68mm. Cecil Davidson, Kingston.

Pte. Perce Chaplin, home on leave from British Columbia is now a Lance Corporal. Congratulations.

Congratulations are also in order to Corporal Cyril Clark, overseas with the Lorne Boats for two years, who has now attained the rank of Sergeant.

Promotions seem to be the order of the day, so here's another one—this time for Lt.-Cpl. Carl Hyde, who has been made a full-fledged Corporal. Cpl. Hyde will have been overseas three years this August.

Pte. Phyllis Blyth, O.W.A.C. is at present home on seventeen days' leave from Washington, D.C., where she is stationed with the British Supply Mission.

Lt.-Cpl. Jack Harrison has been transferred from No. 5 Canadian General Hospital to No. 11 Canadian Field Ambulance, R.C.A.M.C.

Btl.2235, Pte. R. Hardman, Harrieheld, R.O.C., has returned to camp after a two week leave at home.

Sgt. A. Collins has been transferred from Toronto Vocational School to the Hamilton wing of the Vocational School.

Lorne Scots noticed home on leave from British Columbia included: Ptes. Percy King, George Latimer, Sgt. "Chuck" Davies.

Gnr. William Anderson from British Columbia is home on furlough.

L.A.C. George Gilmour, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gilmour, from No. 1 I.T.S. was home on 14 days leave and will leave this week end for Calgary, Alta., to take a course as Wireless Air Gunner.

THE WEATHER

By H. L. Hutt

The past week during which the trees and shrubs have recovered from their six months of winter nakedness and taken on a covering of bright green, might well be taken as the most glorious time of the year. If it would only let up on the rain and warm up some might enjoy it to the full.

It is warming up but slowly. A couple of days of bright sunshine with a maximum temperature of 75 brought the average temperature for the week up to 64.5 or four degrees better than the week before. Surely we may look for warmer finer weather soon.

Following are the local records for the week:

Date	H. and L. Temp.	Rain-fall
Tues. May 18	50 46	.36"
Wed. May 19	59 47	
Thurs. May 20	67 45	
Fri. May 21	53 40	.75"
Sat. May 22	73 49	
Sun. May 23	76 47	
Mon. May 24	65 44	.30"